

CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Presentation Of The Bob Hildreth Library Volunteer Of The Year Award To Roberta Presley

MEETING DATE: April 4, 2001

PREPARED BY: Library Services Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Marjorie Paulsen, President of the Library Board of Trustees, will present the Bob Hildreth Library Volunteer of the Year Award to Roberta Presley.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: At its March 19, 2001 meeting the Library Board of Trustees established the Bob Hildreth Library Volunteer of the Year Award to be awarded during National Library Week to honor the library volunteer who contributed significantly to the support of library services for the Lodi Public Library and the residents of Lodi. Bob Hildreth served as President of the Friends of Lodi Library for three years from 1997 through November 2000. As President of the Friends he also served on the Lodi Public Library Foundation Board of Directors. He volunteered as a tutor in the Friends of Lodi Library Adult Literacy Program, as a Catalog Pathfinder in the program assisting library patrons in the use of the Online Catalog, and as a Internet Gater in a program designed to help library patrons use the public access computers.

Selected by the Library Board of Trustees, the first recipient of this award is Roberta Presley. Roberta Presley coordinated the highly successful Friends of Lodi Library Adult Literacy Program from 1994-2000. During her tenure the program increased the number of tutor/student pairs from 20 to over 80. Roberta introduced an ESL component to the program in 1998 and in 1999 Roberta purchased study materials to assist students with obtaining US citizenship. Under her coordination the program has provided literacy services for over 500 Lodi residents.

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